



Proclamation

Presented to

Princess Abigail Kinoiki Kekaulike Kawananakoa

WHEREAS, Princess Abigail Kinoiki Kekaulike Kawananakoa was born in 1926 to Lydia Kamakaeha Liliuo'kalani Kawananakoa, who, in keeping with the traditional Hawaiian custom of "*hanai*" allowed Princess Abigail Kinoiki Kekaulike to be legally adopted in 1929 by her maternal grandmother, Princess Abigail Waihiikaahuula Kawananakoa to perpetuate the lineage of Hawai'i's Royal Monarchy; and

WHEREAS, Princess Abigail Kinoiki Kekaulike Kawananakoa was provided a unique upbringing, raised from an early age as a *punahelu* child, in the environment and lifestyle accustomed to Hawaiian nobility; she is great grand niece of King David Kalākaua and Queen Kapi'olani, and the granddaughter of Prince David Laamea Kawananakoa and Princess Abigail Waihiikaahuula Kawananakoa; and

WHEREAS, Princess Abigail Kinoiki Kekaulike Kawananakoa as the President of the Friends of 'Iolani Palace from 1971-1998, was the catalyst for its restoration, and, as a result of her dedication, 'Iolani Palace is now a world class museum and remains our Nation's only Royal Palace; and

WHEREAS, Princess Abigail Kinoiki Kekaulike Kawananakoa has demonstrated unwavering support for the *kamali'i* of Hawai'i and, since its inception 20+ years ago has supported the '**Aha Punana Leo** program and other programs that perpetuate the Hawaiian culture; and

WHEREAS, Princess Abigail Kinoiki Kekaulike Kawananakoa is a World Champion Owner and World Champion Breeder of American Quarter Horses; the Princess is an expert in selecting and breeding broodmares and stallions; her stallion—"A Classic Dash"—won the American Quarter Horse races in 1993; and her horse—"Evening Snow"—broke a 27-year record to become "the Fastest Horse in the World" in 1995; and

WHEREAS, Princess Abigail Kinoiki Kekaulike Kawananakoa is a living descendant of Hawai'i's last ruling dynasty, the Kalakaua Dynasty, and has maintained close and personal relationships with Royals throughout Polynesia, including His Majesty, Te Ariki Nui King Tuheitia of Aotearoa and Her Royal Highness Te Atawhai; and His Royal Highness Crown Prince Whatumoana Paki who will be in attendance of Princess Kawananakoa's 85th Birthday Celebration being held on Saturday, April, 30, 2011 at Lanikuhonua in Ewa, Oahu;

THEREFORE, I, NEIL ABERCROMBIE, Governor, and I, BRIAN SCHATZ, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim April 30, 2011, as

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in Hawai'i and ask the people of the Aloha State to join us in saying *mahalo* to Princess Kawananakoa for her contributions to our community, and wishing her a very Happy 85th Birthday.

DONE at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this twenty-eight day of April, 2011.

NEIL ABERCROMBIE

Governor, State of Hawai'i

BRIAN SCHATZ

Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i